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fall in mind, it was success—use waved his hands and smiled at them cheerfully—"maybe we'll build another railroad somewhere. That's what this stumped me. Now, will you stick to me?"

The answer roared from a hundred throats:

"You bet we'll stick!"

When general good feeling was restored Murray attempted to make his way out, but his men seemed determined to thank him one by one, and he was delayed through a long process of handshaking. It pleased him to see that they understood from what hardships and disappointments he had saved them, and he was doubly grateful when Walsh rounded up his crew and announced that the night shift would resume work at midnight.

He escaped at last, leaving the men grouped contentedly about huge piles of smoking doughnuts and pots of coffee, which the cook boys had brought in. Liquor was taboo in the camp, but he gave orders that unlimited cigars be distributed.

The news of the White river fiasco reached Curtis Gordon in Seattle, whither he had gone in a final attempt to bolster up the tottering fortunes of the Cortez Home railway. His disappointment was keen, yet O'Neil from the beginning had met his attacks with such uniform success that his failure did not really surprise him. It had been a forlorn hope at best. Strangely enough, he had begun to lose something of his assurance of late. Although he maintained his outward appearance of confidence with all his old skill, within himself he felt a growing uneasiness, a lurking doubt of his abilities. Outwardly there was reason enough for discouragement, for while his co-operative railroad scheme had begun brilliantly, its initial success had not been sustained. As time passed and Ellen Appleton's exposure remained unrefuted he had found it ever more difficult to enlist support. His own doubts and estimations seemed powerless to affect the public mind, and as he looked back he dated his decline from the appearance of her first article. It had done all the rest chief he had feared. Not only were his old stockholders dissatisfied, but wherever he went for aid he found a disconcerting lack of response, a half veiled skepticism that was maddening.

Yet his immediate business worries were not all nor the worst of his troubles. His physical powers were waning. To all appearances he was as strong as ever, but a strange bodily lassitude hampered him. He tired easily, and against this handicap he was forced to struggle continually. He had never rightly valued his amazing equipment of energy until now, when some subtle ailment had begun to sap it. The change was less in his muscular strength than in his nerves and his mental vigor. He found himself growing peculiarly irritable. His failures excited spasms of blind fury which left him weak and spent. He began to suffer the depressing tortures of insomnia. At times the nerves in his face and neck twitched unaccountably, and this distressing affection spread.

A week or two of disappointments should have shown him the futility of further effort; at any other time it would have set him to putting his house in order for the final crash, but now it merely enraged him. He redoubled his activity, launching a new campaign of publicity so extravagant and ill timed as to rebel the assistance he needed. He had lost his finesse; his nicely adjusted financial sense had gone.

The outcome was not long delayed; it came in the form of a newspaper dispatch to the effect that his Cortez bank had suspended payment because of a run started by the dissatisfied employees of the railroad. Through Gordon's flamboyant advertising his enterprises were so well known by this time that the story was featured despite his efforts to kill it. His frantic cables to Cortez for a denial only brought assurances that the report was true and that conditions would not mend unless a shipment of currency was immediately forthcoming.

Harassed by reporters, driven on by the need for money, he set out to raise the money, but the support he had hoped for failed him when it transpired that his bank's assets consisted mainly of real estate at boom prices and stock in his various companies which had been inflated to the bursting point. Days passed, a week or more; then he was compelled to relinquish his option on the steamship line he had partly purchased and to surrender all that had been paid in on the enterprise. His fate, made a big story for the newspapers, for it punctured one of the most imposing corporations in the famous "Gordon system." It likewise threatened to involve the others in the general crash. Hope Consolidated, indeed, still remained, and Gordon's declaration that the value of his shares was more than sufficient to protect his bank met with some credence until, swift upon the heels of the other disasters, came an application for a receiver by the stockholders, coupled with the promise of a rigorous investigation into his various financial manipulations. Then at last Gordon acknowledged defeat.

Bedeviled as he was, half crazed with anxiety, Gordon knew that the avalanche he had not only wrecked his own but was tearing him swiftly toward the penitentiary. His gates yawned to welcome him, and he felt a chilling terror such as he had never known.

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VESTABURG ITEMS

By Our Own Correspondent

Dr. Hubbard returned from Grand Rapids, Tuesday morning.

John Bowers and family have moved to Lansing.

The Vestaburg high school boys defeated the Riverdale high school boys in a game of basketball, which was played at Vestaburg, Friday evening, November 24th. Score being 32 to 3.

Clair Stauffer, Harry Brown and Harold White, who are attending the Alma high school, were home over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Walker entertained the latter's brother and nephew of Edmore, over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Lehr and son have moved to Freeland, which was their home before coming here to run the meat market.

John Bernis and Harvey Hart returned from their hunting trip. Mr. Bernis being the lucky one to kill a deer.

Mrs. Carrie Miller, who has been ill, is better at this writing.

Willard Mallory has recovered from his illness.

Mrs. Delia Sutton has her millinery goods in the store building owned by Mrs. Martha Walker.

The infant son which was born to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Caris, and who departed this life was laid to rest in the Vestaburg cemetery, Saturday afternoon, November 25th at 2:30.

Mrs. M. C. Hubbard returned from Grand Rapids, Thursday.

Eugene Lane and Harvey Hart have gone deer hunting.

Mr. and Mrs. Oral Hancock autoed to Edmore, Sunday.

Ten cars of an east bound freight were derailed at 4:00 o'clock Saturday morning by a broken rail, three-fourths of a mile west of Vestaburg. The wrecker from Grand Rapids was here for three days picking up the wreckage. Several of the section crews from Edmore to Merrill were here four days helping to repair the track. The crew escaped injury and there was no live stock on the freight cars that were wrecked.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Davenport of Alma accompanied by the latter's sister, were Sunday visitors at the former's sister, Mrs. David Manley and family.

SOUTHEAST COE

Mrs. Grant Leonard took dinner at the home of Mrs. Matt Pethel, Friday.

John Cline was on the sick list last week.

Mrs. Una Vining is having an attack of the gripe this week, as are a number of others around here.

Tom Leonard and I. N. Higgins are putting a wall under George Leonard's house.

Mrs. Maggie Hopkins visited Rhoda Higgins last week.

Joseph Beane was a Wednesday caller at the home of Merit Leonard, Wednesday, November 19th.

Grant Leonard, who visited his cousin, Ezekiel Fordyce, several days last week, returned to his home at Alma, Friday.

Merit Leonard and wife expect to move into their new home the first of next week.

O. E. Fowler is working in Alma.

Mrs. M. C. Hubbard has gone to Edmore to work with his son, Alva, and his son-in-law, Albert Salter.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Oliver of Alma spent Sunday at the home of Merit Leonard.

NORTHWEST SEVILLE

Quite a serious accident occurred last Friday morning in this vicinity. Floyd Hagerman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hagerman, while leading a horse out to water, the horse jerked away from him kicked him in the face causing a wound in which three stitches had to be taken.

Wm. Tynan purchased forty acres of land of E. Loomis, recently.

Mrs. A. Campbell visited her sister-in-law, Mrs. Bert Welch, Wednesday.

John Robbins of Lansing spent Saturday night with his aunt, Mrs. V. Dickinson.

Mrs. James Steele and children, who has been visiting her mother at Lowell, returned home Thursday.

Florence Inman spent Sunday with Goldie Barney.

A. Ingram was in Riverdale, Monday.

A. Campbell and wife attended church near Riverdale Saturday.

A. Ingram and son, Arlie, were in Riverdale, Saturday night.

L. T. Meade was in Riverdale, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. V. Dickinson and A. Decker autoed to Alma, Wednesday.

C. Hill was in Riverdale, Friday.

Chas. Biggs and daughter, Pauline, Mr. and Mrs. V. Dickinson, and daughter, Iva, Tom Parker and Chas. Tynan was callers at Wm. Tynan's, Sunday afternoon.

Raymond Loomis was in Riverdale, Friday.

Mrs. Bert Hagerman has been on the sick list.

RIVERDALE NEWS

By Our Own Correspondent

The Misses Ruth and Tella VanAlstine were in St. Louis Saturday shopping.

Glen Hudson left Monday morning for Saginaw, where he expects to work in an automobile factory.

Mrs. Bert Creaser and children of Middleton were week end guests of Mrs. B. O. Markham.

Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Carter of Shepherd were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Horton.

Elmer Markham of Middleton spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. B. O. Markham.

Roy Davenport was home from Alma over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. James McDonald and daughter, Jean, of Saginaw spent Thursday with Alfred Looker and family.

Fred Rowland of Alma was in town Tuesday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen McCarthy are spending the week end with relatives at Crystal.

Mrs. Clair Reid spent Wednesday in Elm Hall, the guest of Mrs. Delbert Hicks.

Miss Bernida Courtney of Alma was an over Sunday guest of Dr. and Mrs. Highfield.

The Misses Mable King and Grace Guild, who attend Mt. Pleasant Normal, were week end guests of their parents.

Mrs. Callie Foster and children spent Saturday near Elm Hall, the guests of Ed. Ross and family.

Master Harry Morton of Elm Hall spent Saturday with his sister, Miss Lucille Morton.

Miss Ella Turner of Springfield, Mass. is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Horton.

Miss Esther Horton of near Wheeler spent Sunday with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Owen of Maple Rapids were in town Tuesday calling on old friends.

Miss Wilbur Granger of Alma was an over Sunday guest of Mrs. George Parks.

Mrs. Cora Hudson entertained friends from Ithaca, Thursday.

Leo Goring of Lansing is home for the Thanksgiving holidays.

Earl Ryckman of Flint spent the week end with his wife and family.

Mrs. Patrick O'Brien and daughter, Katie, of St. Louis were week end guests of the Deener farm.

Miss Addie Hyde returned Friday evening from her two weeks' visit with her sister, Mrs. Alfred Johnson of Sumner Center.

Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Harrison of St. Louis and Mr. and Mrs. Alanson Harrison and daughter of Ferris were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Harrison.

Wm. Strong of Alma spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Moblo.

George Shong of Seville Center spent Sunday with Miss Isabelle Horton.

Ray Davenport is working at the Republic Motor Truck factory in Alma.

Mrs. E. Rose spent the week end with friends at Belding.

Rev. George Brown, wife and children attended the Ladies' Aid society at Sumner Center, Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Jerry Wolfgram and daughter, Margaret, spent last week near Shepherd the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Williams.

Mrs. Robert Moblo and daughter, Hazel, returned Thursday evening from their four weeks' visit with relatives at Detroit.

Mrs. VanCleave of Lansing has been spending the past week with her daughter, Mrs. Adam Britten.

Miss Eva Stevenson of Greenville spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. David Dutt.

Mrs. Jerry Wolfgram and daughter, Margaret, are picking beans at the elevator in Elwell.

Mrs. Wm. LaPaugh near Elwell was a week end guest of George LaPaugh and wife.

Mrs. Blanche Manley of Vestaburg spent Friday in Riverdale, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Manley.

Master Lloyd Hagerman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hagerman, met with a very painful accident last Thursday morning. While he was leading the horses out of the barn one kicked him in the face, cutting it in several places and bruising his head quite badly. Medical aid was summoned and several stitches had to be taken. At present he is doing very nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Miller and children visited relatives at Elwell the first of the week.

Miss Ella Leonard attended the dance at Vestaburg, Wednesday evening.

Jay Rice and Ford Osborn of Alma were home over Sunday.

The Riverdale public school gave a very pleasant and interesting entertainment at the Deener opera house, Wednesday afternoon. The teachers deserve a great deal of praise for the manner in which they have trained the children. The school is doing splendidly this year, and the attendance is very good indeed. The Y. M. C. A. boys and the Campfire girls are very much interested in their work and at the present are preparing to show the public the good work they are doing. The high school girls expect to play basketball with the Crystal team next Friday evening.

Mrs. Ruth Brownridge spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brownridge, north of Riverdale.

Mr. and Mrs. Clair Reid and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Tuttle and son, Robert, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Hicks, of Elm Hall.

Claude McFarren of Shepherd called on friends in Riverdale, Sunday.

Carl Harry of Alma spent Thursday with his parents.

The Good Will circle of the M. E. Sunday school will meet at the home of Mrs. Highfield, on Tuesday evening, December 5th, at seven-thirty o'clock.

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Mrs. W. E. Leonard and daughter, Ellen, of near Elm Hall, were Saturday visitors of Mrs. Wm. Howay.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Gould visited their son, Ed, and family, in Edmore, Sunday.

Mrs. Joe Snell of Edmore was a Thursday visitor of Mrs. M. J. Briggs.

Wm. Merritt moved his family to Riverdale Friday, where he is running a pool room.

Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Briggs spent Sunday at Edmore with their daughter, Mrs. Vern Cook and family.

The Aid society met at the home of Mrs. Lillian Person, Thursday afternoon to tie off quilts.

Mrs. Young, who has been visiting her cousin, Mrs. Freeman Evans, is near Edmore visiting her cousin, Mrs. Perry Watts.

Ben. Borden has purchased the auto recently owned by Vern Hornbeck.

Guy Johnson has moved his family into the country.

Mr. and Mrs. Hargy Fisher are entertaining the latter's aunt, Miss Parr, of Sumner.

Mrs. Ben. Borden, who has been in Buffalo, N. Y., for sometime visiting her son, Ruben Griffith, and wife, daughters, Miss Vesta Griffith and Mrs. Emma Brand and family, returned home Saturday evening and announced the birth of a son to her daughter, Mrs. Emma Brand and husband.

County School Commissioner Eugene Straight of Stanton visited the school here Wednesday.

Chas. Nickerson, wife and daughter, were in Edmore, Sunday.

Roy McGilivray and Stanley Geisel were in Edmore, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Priest have returned home from Winn, where they have been visiting at the home of their son.

Claude Manley of Riverdale was a Sunday visitor of his mother, Mrs. Blanche Manley.

Silas, Merit and Ray Leonard transacted business at Shepherd Saturday.

The revival meetings of the Church of Christ will begin on the third Lord's day in December. Every one is invited to attend these meetings, conducted by Elder Murray.

Marion Bigler has returned from his visit to Marion.

William Hunt has been having the mumps the past week.

C. L. Humphrey's are moving into the Moody house.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Raycraft and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bowers and daughter, Ethel, attended the funeral of Will Powers, at Elwell, Wednesday.

B. T. Hamilton transacted business in Montclair county the last of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Silas Randolph of Sunfield, J. W. Doane of Mt. Pleasant, Mrs. M. DeHart and Mrs. Arthur Struble of Marion, attended the funeral of Mr. Moody, Tuesday.

Emery Parsons entertained his mother from St. Louis, last week.

Charles Leland was called to Flint Wednesday by the sudden death of his father.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Carl of Alma spent Sunday with R. C. Salsbury's.

The funeral of Silas Moody was held last Tuesday at the Church of Christ. It was one of the largest attended funerals held here for several years, as Mr. Moody was one of the old county pioneers and was well known. Rev. R. R. Cook of Chesaning, an old friend of the family, conducted the services, assisted by L. C. Doerr, the local pastor. H. C. Moore of Alma sang, "Abide With Me," and "Somewhere the Sun is Shining."

TOWN LINE

Mrs. Dora Wiley called on her mother, Mrs. Mary Raycraft, near Forest Hill this last week.

Mrs. John Sullivan and Mrs. John Snyder of Alma were guests of Mrs. Frank Ellis, on Friday.

Frank Whitcraft and family are spending a few weeks near Temple.

Frank Webb had the misfortune to fall out of a hay mow last Friday.

They called Dr. J. F. Suydam of Alma, and he states that he had a broken rib and hurt his side quite badly.

C. M. Putnam, the insurance man north of Alma, made a business trip in this vicinity, the last week. Mr. Putnam, who is doing good work for the Farmers' Mutual Insurance Co., has a host of friends in this vicinity.

Miss Esther Ellison of Brooklyn is spending a few weeks with relatives here and with her brother, Ray Ellison and wife, near Ithaca.